GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
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ROAD CONNECTIVITY TO WORLD HERITAGE SITES .
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Ministry of Tourism has requested the Ministry of Shipping, Road Transport and Highways and State Governments to provide road connectivity to world heritage sites and other places of tourist importance;

(b) If so, the details of these sites identified by the Ministry of Tourism;

(c) The response of the Ministry of Shipping and State Governments thereto;

(d) Whether the Ministry of Tourism has provided any financial assistance to States for the development of road connectivity to world heritage sites and other places of tourist importance; and

(e)If so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The Ministry of Tourism has requested the Ministry of Shipping, Road Transport and Highways and also the State Govts. for improvement of road connectivity to world heritage sites and other places of tourist importance. A list of roads identified by Ministry of Tourism is placed at Annexure-I.

(c): The Ministry of Shipping, Road Transport & Highways and State Governments have decided to give priority to improvement of road connectivity to world heritage sites and other places of tourist importance under their respective jurisdiction.

(d) & (e): The Ministry of tourism provides financial assistance for development of roads as a part of integrated development of tourist infrastructure at identified destinations and circuits. The list of such projects sanctioned since 2004-05, State wise, is placed at Annexure-II